

AEHC Newsletter

April 2010

A Word from AEHC President

I cannot believe my time as your President is about to end! They say time passes fast when you are enjoying something, for sure this has been the case these two years.



It has been a joy getting to know so many of you and to visit your county EH programs. You are doing so much for your communities.

It is encouraging to see the increase in attendance at district and state meetings. We are working hard to increase our membership and with all of your help we can grow in membership in every county.

Even though I am retiring as state president, I will still be on the Executive Committee helping where I am needed.

Joyce Hall
AEHC President

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Left : Johnette Johnson, and right, Glenda Griffin are leprechauns at Officers Training.

A.E.H.C. Officer Training

Three hundred sixty-one AEHC leaders and agents attended the Officer Training Meeting at the C. A. Vines 4-H Center on March 17.

The meeting started with a fun game of “Jeopardy AEHC Style Parliamentary Procedure.” FCS agent Katie Cobb narrated, and the White County leaders teamed up against the state EHC officers. The White County leaders won, showing how much training they had had on the topic of Parliamentary Procedure.

“Tools That Work” was a discussion given by Kaye Green, Vice-President on putting together record books. Mary Fisher, Membership Chair presented some new ideas on membership, Pauline Myrick, Parliamentarian, emphasized the importance of using the AEHC handbook as a guide.

Separate training sessions were conducted by state officers for Presidents, Vice-Presidents, Secretaries and Treasurers.

After lunch Eva Marie Pearson, Publicity Chair, gave an informative discussion on “Keeping Your EHC in the Public Eye.”

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Eva Marie Pearson discusses publicity.

Throughout the meeting, excitement was generated by “St. Patrick’s Day leprechauns, Johnette Johnson and Glenda Griffin. Some great prizes were given to those answering the parliamentary procedure questions.

Dr. Anne Sortor, FCS assistant director, presented an interesting discussion and power point entitled, “Open Your County EHC Tool Box.”

Lisa Gilmore, FCS agent from Garland County, and Phyllis Pipkin, AEHC President-Elect, presented four scenarios relating to “The Partnership Tool” between the FCS agent and County EH Council.

Phyllis Pipkin, Chair of the State Meeting, concluded the meeting with a presentation on the AEHC registration packet, which is on line for everyone to access.

The purpose of the training was to improve leadership skills in all EH clubs across the state. Each county was given a packet of information to use to develop local officer training. The packet included: Guidelines for County Financial Operations for Extension Homemakers Councils, Clubs and Group, dist-04.” “AEHC Leadership Series for Officer Training, FCS400, and a single copy of a club’s Annual Financial Report.

Lisa Gilmore has already sent out copies of the scenarios that she and Phyllis Pipkin presented.

Katie Cobb, White County FCS agent, will send copies of the Parliamentary Procedure Jeopardy game to each county. Each county or adjoining counties is encouraged to plan an officer training for new officers before July 1.

Betty Oliver
A.E.H.C. Volunteer Coordinator

Your State Meeting Planning Committee

Your A.E.H.C. State Planning Committee has met four times since the 2009 Annual Meeting. These leaders work extremely hard pulling together all the details for the 2010 meeting. One of the biggest jobs is being a Class Chair.

The four class chairs are responsible for selecting interesting topics to present and then securing speakers that will do good jobs. A focus of our subjects is health and fitness in keeping with our two-year focus.



STATE PLANNING COMMITTEE

Front left to right: Phyllis Pipkin, Chair and President-Elect; Glenda Griffin, Decorations Chair; Johnette Johnson, Creative Skills Class Chair; and Joyce Hall, President.

Second row: Betty Oliver, FCS Coordinator; Denise Hickey, secretary; Karen Ellis, Curtain Calls; Elaine Stoll, Information Room; Lisa Gilmore, Garland County FCS Agent.

Third row: Mary Fisher, Membership Chair; Letha Thronebury, How To Class Chair; Marnette Reed, Jefferson County; Kaye Green, Education Class Chair; Barbara Boeh, Treasurer, Peggy Barnett, Craft Booth Chair.

Back row: Eva Marie Pearson, Publicity Chair; Marsha Onley, Silent Auction; Barbara Penney, Staging; and Charlotte Wright, Registration and Cultural Arts Chair.

Not pictured are: Carolyn Morris, Subject Matter Class Chair and Pip Pipkin, Equipment Chair.

A.E.H.C. State Meeting June 8-10

“A.E.H.C.-- Powered by You” is the theme of the annual meeting June 8-10, at the Hot Springs Convention Center. The registration information is all on the Arkansas Extension Homemakers website. Everyone registers through their county extension office. Please call if you have questions.

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Your Executive Committee

Your A.E.H.C. Executive Committee has done an outstanding job the past two years. Please express your thanks to them for their hard work.



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Front row left to right: Linda Chapman, Ozark District Director; Phyllis Pipkin, President-Elect; Karen Bell Fox, Ouachita District Director; Joyce Hall, President.

Second row: Barbara May, Ozark District Associate; Denise Hickey, Secretary; Barbara Jones, Delta District Associate; Elaine Stoll, Past President; Betty Oliver, AEHC Coordinator.

Third row: Lisa Gilmore, Adviser; Pauline Myrick, Parliamentarian; Kaye Green, Vice-President; Barbara Boeh, Treasurer; and Sally Patterson, Ouachita District Associate.

Back row: Marnette Reed, Delta District Associate; Charlotte Wright, Delta District Director.

Not pictured: Carolyn Morris, Ozark District Associate and Bettie Huntley, Ouachita District Associate.



AEHC Executive and Planning Committees met at the state office headquarters for separate and joint meetings January 12.

AEHC Planning Committee at work at January meeting.



AEHC Planning Committee at work at January meeting.



AEHC Executive Committee at work.

Also see photo next page.

What Counts as Volunteer Hours?

The topic of volunteer hours was discussed in one of the separate training sessions at the Officer Training on March 17. One of our leaders contacted the President's Council on Volunteer Awards and asked how to count volunteer hours provided to several different organizations. Their reply is, they will accept volunteer hours from more than one organization towards a single award.

However, only one entity may certify all the hours and that entity must be a registered certifying organization. Since we report hours to the Arkansas Volunteerism Office, all extension offices and the state A.E.H.C. are certified organization.

All meetings you attend for E.H.C. counts as hours. The Office on Volunteerism said "anything done without pay." The monetary value of volunteer hours for 2010 is \$20.25 per hour.



AEHC Planning Committee at work.

A.E.H.C. STATE MEETING REGISTRATION

From counties due May 3, 2010, to:

Betty F. Oliver, A.E.H.C. Coordinator
2301 South University Ave.
Little Rock, AR 72204

New Officers for 2010-2012

New officers will be elected at the annual board of directors meeting on Wednesday, June 9. All members of the Executive Committee, including President-elect, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer will be elected. The present President, Joyce Hall will remain as Past-President for two years. A new Parliamentarian will be appointed by Phyllis Pipkin, President-Elect. The district teams will remain the same for another year. All members of the Annual State Planning Committee meeting will be replaced except the Decorations Chair, Glenda Griffin, Publicity Chair, Eva Marie Pearson, and membership chair Mary Fisher.

Dates and Deadlines

May 3

Registration due for State Meeting
Hot Springs Convention Center

May 14

Past-Presidents Scholarship
Due to state office
(for homemakers 40 or under -- \$50)

May 14

Deadline for new officer applications
To Elaine Stoll, 116 South 2nd
Lavenden, AR 72459

June 8-10

State Meeting at
Hot Springs Convention Center

October 19

Ozark District Presidents Workshop

October 21

Delta District Presidents Workshop

October 26

Ouachita District Presidents Workshop

For more information or to access a copy of the
state meeting packet go to:
www.arextensionhomemakers.org

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